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Title: ELECTRONIC APPARATUS  
HAVING A COMMUNICATION  
DEVICE

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR §1.56**

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Any document listed on the attached SB/08 form was cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding Japanese patent application. An English language translation is not readily available to applicant. A copy of the office action is attached setting forth the portion of each document considered relevant by the examiner. The examiner stated that (1) JP2002-291066 discloses the technology that recognized an outer device on the basis of the address information assigned to the outer device, and (2) JP11-73192 discloses the technology that detects the data format of the content data based on the sorts of the encoding method.

An English language abstract is provide for the convenience of the examiner.

Applicant respectfully request that any listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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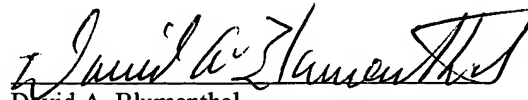
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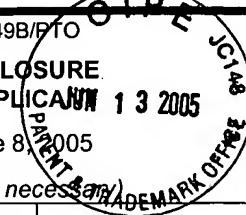
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